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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 218

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN BOB HAWKS, on April 14, 2005 at 9:05 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bernie Olson, Chairman (R)

Sen. Bob Hawks, Chairman (D)

Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)

Rep. Christopher Harris (D)

Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (R)

Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)

Sen. Lynda Moss (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kim Leighton, Committee Secretary

Please Note. These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 218, 4/13/2005

Executive Action:

SEN. HAWKS opened the hearing with a general summary of the HB 218.

REP. OLSON offered an explanation of the need for this bill. He stated a concern he has with Section 4 and discussed it further. He ascertained that this is a public health issue; the West Nile virus is something to be concerned about.

MOTION: REP. HARRIS moved TO RETURN TO CURRENT STATUS OF 5%.

DISCUSSION:

Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Services Division, explained that this motion would strike Section 4 out of the bill.

REP. OLSON attested that he wants this bill to move forward.

<u>VOTE:</u> The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Ms. Kurtz summarized how the amendment came to be, and the affect it has on the bill.

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KIM LEIGHTON, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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